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1. "The lot of the housewife here is one of drudgery. Under present plans all food is to be provided in public kitchens where housewives will have to prepare it for which they will pay.
2. [redacted] works ten to twelve hours a day as the bookkeeper in a restaurant where meat, fats, poultry and other nourishing foods are available. Then she has to come home to 'raise grub and cabbage'.
3. "Under present conditions one salary per worker is just enough to buy what food there is to be had. No man can earn enough to keep two people.
4. [redacted] but we may have to close as there is no paper to be had and no prospect of getting any although there is more than enough work on our books. Already we have had to use for cover stock discarded printed matter.
5. "I am paid the equivalent of 70.00 a month, which, translated into food stuffs is equal to about 15 pounds of lard for a month and 90 pounds of flour. Meat supply is bad - about one-third of Germany's war rations - and fats are short. There is plenty of bread, beans and maize but we lack many foods.
6. "Our Jews are emigrating en masse to Palestine and if it were not for certain Jewish practices, I myself perhaps would change to the 'Thora'."

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